

# ALLIES FIVE MILES BEYOND HINDENBURG DEFENSE LINE

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clinging to dominating positions at Cuffies (a mile and a half north of the city) and Juvigny (where American troops are operating).  
The Germans are reported to be greatly strengthening their positions in St. Gebain forest (between the Oise and the Ailette), which are regarded as already among the best defenses on the west front.

## CANADIANS NEAR BULLECOURT NOW

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 29.—The Canadians are within about a mile of Bullecourt, a mile and a half southeast of Croisilles.

## General Pershing's Communique.

Advance of French and American forces to the railway west of Juvigny and capture of 200 prisoners Wednesday was reported by General Pershing today.

"North of the Aisne our troops, in co-operation with the French, advanced to the railroad west of Juvigny and captured 200 prisoners," reads the communique. "Along the Vesle local hostile attacks forced our outlying detachments in Bazoches and Pismette to retire."

les and Hendecourt (two miles east of Croisilles).  
They spent the night cleaning out a mass of dugouts and pockets filled in by the Germans, including the famous 2,000-yard concrete tunnel running west from Bullecourt to the Senne river.

## GERMANS HOLDING NOYON OUTSKIRTS

LONDON, Aug. 29 (12:54 p. m.).—The Germans are strongly holding the southwestern outskirts of Noyon, according to a news agency dispatch received here today.

General Humbert, however, has outflanked the Germans on the heights of Porquericourt and has crossed the Noyon-Noyon road near Sermaise and Catigny.

General Debeney has penetrated to the neighborhood of Cachy and Rame-

court and has arrived at the Somme between Roule-Petit and Cizancourt.

## 26,000 CAPTURED SINCE AUGUST 21

LONDON, Aug. 29.—German prisoners taken since August 21 total more than 26,000, Field Marshal Haig announced today. In the same period more than 100 guns have been captured.

"Our advance posts established west of Oppy (four miles southeast of Vimy) were withdrawn slightly last night as the result of repeated hostile attacks," the British statement said.

"Prisoners taken since the 21st exceed 26,000 and over 100 guns have been taken."

"In the recent fighting north and south of the Somme tanks took an active part on all possible occasions and rendered very valuable and gallant service in co-operation with the infantry and other arms."

"Strong German counter attacks along the Scarpe were repulsed yesterday evening and last night."

"South of the Somme we maintained pressure all during the night, advancing eastward," the statement said. "North of the Somme as far as the neighborhood of Fontaine-Les-Croisilles (a mile and a half northeast of Croisilles), the night passed in comparative quiet."

"Astride the Scarpe the enemy made strong counter attacks yesterday evening and last night, east and south-east of Bolry and in the vicinity of Gavrelle. They were repulsed with loss to the enemy in heavy fighting."

## K. C. B.'s TOWN GOSSIP

MOHEGAN LAKE, N. Y., Aug. 28.

WE WERE in swimming.

AND SOME little boys.

HAD BUILT a raft.

AND AS RAFTS go.

IT WAS the saddest thing.

I'D EVER seen.

BUT THEY'D worked so hard.

WITH A large hatchet.

AND SOME little nails.

AND NO saw.

AND THE raft itself.

WAS SO on a side.

AND PATHETIC.

AND ASHAMED of itself.

THAT WE were sorry.

AND AFTER one of the boys.

HAD TRIED to board it.

AND IT had turned over.

AND WE'D had to feel.

FOR THE little boy.

SO AS to calm.

HIS ANXIOUS mother.

WHO SAT on the shore.

AND HAD finally found him.

RIGHT UNDER the raft.

IN A state of surprise.

AND PARTIAL exhaustion.

WE TOLD the boys.

THAT THE next day.

WE WOULD build them a raft.

THAT WOULD surely float.

AND THAT night.

THEY KEPT coming around.

TO OUR little stone house.

AND TALKING about it.

AND ONE of the mothers.

TOLD OUR wives.

HOW EXCITED they were.

WHEN THEY'D come home.

AND HOW nice we were.

TO BE good to the boys.

AND WE were glad.

AND EARLY this morning.

WE STARTED out.

AND WENT into the woods.

WITH OUR little saw.

THAT WE found in the house.

AND FOR six hours.

WE WANDERED around.

AND IF the Mohicans.

LEFT ANY logs.

AROUND THEIR lake.

WHEN THE last of 'em left.

WE COULDN'T find them.

AND WHEN we got back.

WE WERE all scratched up.

AND LOOKING like blotters.

THAT SOMEBODY'D used.

IN A trial balance.

AND WE hadn't a thing.

TO BUILD the raft.

AND WE went down swimming.

AND TRIED to explain.

TO THE waiting boys.

BUT IT didn't help much.

AND JUST tonight.

WHEN THEY all went by.

I HEARD one of them say.

"THEY'RE THE men."

THAT PROMISED the raft.

"AND NEVER fetched it."

AND THE moral is.

DON'T PROMISE a raft.

TO A bunch of kids.

UNTIL SHE'S floated.

I THANK YOU.



## AMERICANS CRUSH COUNTER ATTACK

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMS IN FRANCE, Aug. 29.—The series of operations initiated by both sides on the Aisne battlefields has resulted in violent fighting along the Vesle line. More than a hundred Germans have been captured.

American artillery, working in the open, hurled shells toward the foe last night, the flash of the guns illuminating the black overcast sky.

A counter attack against the Americans late yesterday afternoon broke down completely in the face of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire.

## AMERICANS TAKE 200 Foe CAPTIVE

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-VESE FRONT, Aug. 29 (8 a. m.).—American troops continued to battle fiercely with the enemy in the Juvigny region early today, capturing 200 prisoners, including eight officers.

From these prisoners it was learned that the Germans have rushed the Seventh Prussian division into action to reinforce the Jagers, which were being sorely pressed by American troops.

## FOE FIGHTS WITH BACK TO SOMME

LONDON, Aug. 29.—The Germans are now fighting with their backs to the Somme.

British and French swept forward yesterday an additional six miles on a front of about twenty-five miles, capturing forty villages and reaching the Somme from Cizancourt, five miles south of Peronne to the vicinity of Noyon. Part of this line is formed



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by the Somme and the remainder by the north canal.

The British made an appreciable advance on both sides of the Somme, where it flows in a westerly direction, capturing Curbis, north of the river, and reaching the line of Herbecourt, four miles west of Peronne, and Fresnoy, five miles south of Herbecourt, south of the river.

British troops also continued their progress between Bapaume and the Scarpe, capturing Croisilles and advancing to Vaux-Vrocourt, nine miles east of Bapaume. More than ten miles of the Hindenburg line is now in British hands.

The French, operating along the Oise, captured Suzoy, Pont l'Eveque, Vauchelles and Porquericourt, approaching to within nearly a mile of Noyon on the west.

Between the Oise and the Aisne American troops repulsed several counter attacks near Juvigny, four miles north of Soissons.

## ITALIANS REPULSE AUSTRIAN ATTACKS

ROME, Aug. 29.—Repulse of Austrian attacks in several sectors of the Italian front was reported by the War office today.

"In the Concel valley the enemy, after a violent destructive fire, attacked but was promptly arrested by fire of our advanced posts, which counter attacked and drove back their assaults, inflicting losses and capturing prisoners," the statement said.

"On the northern slopes on Altissimo and north of Coldelrosso hostile reconnoitering parties were attacked and dispersed by our patrol."

"Along the front, artillery concentrations intensely shelled the enemy front lines and harassed their communications."

## GUN DUELS RAGE ON SOMME FRONT

PARIS, Aug. 29.—Fighting in the Somme area last night was limited to artillery engagements, the French war office announced today. Raging operations were reported on other points.

"On the Somme front last night there were violent bombardments," the communique said.

"In Lorraine German raids were unsuccessful. In the Champagne two French raids resulted in fifteen prisoners. It was calm elsewhere."

## GOVERNOR WILL RECOVER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 29.—Injuries received by Governor Goodrich when his automobile was struck by a street car last night are not as serious as at first feared, and he will recover, according to an announcement by his physicians today.

He slept well and was fully conscious early today. An x-ray was taken of his left hip to determine whether or not it was fractured. His left collar bone is broken and he has a deep scalp wound.

## FLORISTS TO FROLIC

War-time talks by members of Congress returned from "Over There," a motion picture exhibition of war films, war music by the Kallipolis Grotto Band, and the reading of a declaration of war upon a ton of watermelons provided for the occasion, is the war-time program of the Florists' Club of Washington for Tuesday evening, September 3.

The affair is to be held at 1214 P street northwest, with Edward S. Schmid and William F. Gude, joint hosts of the evening.

## CZECHS IN BOHEMIA PREPARE TO FIGHT

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 29.—As a result of British recognition of the Czechs, something like general mobilization is proceeding in the Polish, Czech, and southern Slav districts, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Weser Zeitung.

Hostilities between these people and the government are expected. It is believed British recognition made possible the co-ordination of those elements.

"We must reckon with an organization comprising all the southern Slav districts," declared the Weser Zeitung. "Serious things are being prepared in Bohemia. It is significant that simultaneously with British recognition the Czech national council appealed to the population that it was time they should pass from words to deeds. The meeting at Laibach can be interpreted as a manifestation of Slav community interests."

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Secretary of War Baker and Provost Marshal General Crowder have agreed upon a basis of compensation for local and district board members ranging from \$50 a month for districts of 1,000 or fewer registrants to \$200 a month for districts of 6,000 or more registrants. It was announced today.

In making this decision, both stated frankly that the compensation has been a minor consideration with those men, and that it does not equal the value of their patriotic services to the country in the operation of the draft machine.

## DRAFT BOARD PAY IS FIXED

Charles Thomas Buckley, twenty-five years old, a former student of Georgetown Law School, and a native of New Haven, Conn., has been awarded the French war cross decorated with palms, according to information received here by Hugh J. Fagan, secretary to the law school.

Buckley is an aviator, and has been flying in France. It was after he had downed a number of German machines that he was given the war cross. The palms on the cross are given for special acts of bravery, and are only bestowed after the war cross has been awarded.

The young aviator is well known in athletic circles here in Washington, and would have graduated from the law school in 1919 should he have continued his course. He was stationed in Italy before going to France, and is a member of the Eighth aviation instructional detachment.

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## 423 WOUNDED RETURN

Four hundred and twenty-three sick and wounded members of the A. E. F. were landed in the United States during the week ending August 23, the War Department announced today. These men are sent to the various army hospitals where special facilities for reconstruction have been provided. The number during the preceding week was 333.

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## YANKS CAPTURE 25,000

Twenty thousand to 25,000 German prisoners constitute America's portion of the great allied haul of 112,000 captives since July 1. These figures are based on careful estimates of War Department officials today.

The last official figures on American totals were 17,000, toward the end of the Soissons-Rheims struggle. After that time, several sizeable hauls were made. And the Americans have continued to take more or less prisoners ever since the main fighting died down.

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